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Town Topics.

WHAT OUR PEOPLE ARE DOING. ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP ABOUT TOWN.

"A City That is Set on a Hill Cannot Be Hid."

Judge Foster spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. Ed. Holt was in Portland, Saturday.

Rufus Rice spent Sunday at his home in Waterford.

C. P. Pingree of Albany, is spending a few days in town.

J. B. Littlehale of North Newry, was in town Thursday.

Mrs. O. D. Ellingwood of West Paris, is visiting in town.

C. M. Kimball of East Bethel, was in our village last Friday.

John S. Swan is buying and shipping quite a quantity of potatoes.

Miss Vera Merrill is entertaining the mumps, at her home, this week.

Married in Bethel, March 29th, by Rev. F. E. Barton, Charles W. Horne and Lillian M. Morrill.

A special town meeting will be held next Saturday, to see if the town will vote to sell the chair factory to the stockholders.

Ceylon Rowe arrived home Monday evening from a week's stay in New York where he has been to purchase his spring stock of goods.

F. L. Edwards has got out one hundred cords of wood and two hundred thousand feet of timber, during the past winter. The timber will be sawed at the mill of I. S. Morrill.

Arrangements are being made by which Mr. George M. Twitchell of Augusta, will deliver an address to and for the benefit of the graduating class of Gould's Academy, about May 1. The subject of the address will be "The Citizen of Tomorrow." Mr. Twitchell is a native of Bethel, being the son of the late Dr. Twitchell, who in his day was so prominent as a physician in this section.

The open rehearsal by the Bethel Chorus will take place on Wednesday evening, April 12, when the members will welcome their friends. A pleasing program is being arranged and refreshments will be on sale.

The Epworth League will give a poverty sociable next Thursday evening, at the home of Lucy Fox. The price of admission will be as many cents as there are letters in your name. Hulled corn and milk will be served during the evening. Come and have a good time.

Large shipments of wood and lumber are still being made from the Grand Trunk station here. Much hemlock bark has been shipped but there is a large lot now in the yard. The shipment of bark will aggregate some 400 cords or more. Much poplar has been shipped, and teams have been engaged nearly all winter delivering the Warren lumber from Middle Intervale to the station, whence it has been sent to all parts of the country. This lumber was manufactured by Warren last winter and spring by means of a portable mill located in the lumber region. Mr. Warren has removed his mill and is now working upon contracts in New Hampshire.

Hon. John M. Philbrook is doing a large business in stock. In one week recently he purchased 150 head, and he will buy largely for some time. Many of these cattle are shipped to the Brighton market, but some are kept by Mr. Philbrook upon his farm in Bethel, or disposed of in the local market. Mr. Philbrook covers the whole of eastern Oxford in his business and does more or less buying in the West. He has been engaged in the cattle business for many years, having formerly been associated with his brother, Mr. S. D. Philbrook, also of Bethel. The firm, under the name of S. D. & J. M. Philbrook, for many years carried on one of the most extensive businesses in the State. Upon the failure of Mr. S. D. Philbrook's health, ten years ago, the business was taken by Mr. John M. Philbrook, who has since conducted it successfully.

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Violin Recital.

Last Thursday evening, Miss Florence E. Chipman of Gorham, N. H., and her Bethel pupils gave a recital at Garland chapel, assisted by Miss Harriet E. Fuller, elocutionist; Miss Alice E. Purington, contralto; Miss Alice Billings, accompanist; and Mr. P. C. Chipman, clarinetist.

Entering the chapel after a brisk walk in the cool evening, the parlor was, indeed, a cheerful place; handsome lamps cast their light into every corner, while the snapping fire in the open grate, made a homelike impression upon all who came. In the center of the parlor was an elevation, covered with black fur rugs; this was used as a stage for the players.

A quintette by Misses Chipman, Billings, Merrow, Mrs. Virgin and Master Dan Durell was the opening exercise, and in this, as well as in the succeeding numbers, the careful instruction of the teacher and the painstaking drill of the pupils were plainly evident. The opportunity afforded the violin pupils of Bethel during the past winter, has been an unusual one, as Miss Chipman is a most efficient teacher of the instrument.

Master Dan Durell pleasingly rendered a solo, "Eilegia", showing to the boys and girls what careful practice for a short time, will do toward conquering this difficult instrument.

Miss Harriet E. Fuller came before her audience a stranger; one whose ability to entertain was unknown, but her first selection won the hearts of her audience; the second selection and encores were equally pleasing, and in the future, Miss Fuller will be sure of a warm welcome from Bethel audiences.

Miss Purington's rich contralto, so well-known by our people, added much to the evening's entertainment, as did also the clarinet solo by Mr. Chipman, which was heartily encored. Miss Billings, as usual, performed her part of accompanist, in her pleasing way. The following program was carried out:

PROGRAMME—PART ONE.

Violin Quintette, "Gavotte", Clark
Miss Chipman and Pupils.
Violin Solo, "Eilegia", Lebas
Master Dan Durell.
Vocal Solo, "An Easter Song" (violin obligato) Dressler
Miss Alice Purington.
Violin Duet, "Oberlander", Gnugl
Miss Chipman, Mrs. Virgin.
Reading, "A Shaker Romance" W. H. Murray
Miss Harriet E. Fuller.
Violin Quartette, "Air Varie", Dansla
Misses Chipman, Billings, Merrow, and Mrs. Virgin.

PROGRAMME—PART TWO.

Violin Duet, { a "Serenade" Pache / b "Pizzirato Gavotte",
Misses Billings and Merrow.
Vocal Solo, "Happy Days", A. Strelezki
Miss Alice Purington.
Clarinet Solo, "Annie Laurie" (air varie) Cook
Mr. P. C. Chipman.
Reading, "Aux Italiens", Owen Meredith
Miss Harriet E. Fuller.
Violin Solo, "Reverie" H. Vieuxtemps
Miss Florence E. Chipman.
Violin Quartette, { a "Lullaby", Lachmund / b "Prayer and Rondo", Weber
Misses Chipman, Billings, Merrow, and Mrs. Virgin.

Douglass Proves to be the Guilty One.

It will be remembered that the store of C. C. Bryant was entered some three weeks ago, and about $50 stolen. At first no definite idea of whom the guilty one might be was entertained by anyone, but after a few days, suspicion began to rest upon W. J. Douglass. It was learned that he suddenly disappeared from the village during the afternoon on which the money was stolen. Inquiries were made and upon learning that he was in Boston, Mr. Wormell started Monday of last week, in search of him. He was found, arrested, and brought to Bethel last Thursday afternoon. When he was arrested in Boston, he acknowledged his guilt and paid over the money which he had taken, or the amount which he had not spent, the balance being made up by his grandfather, who lives there. Mr. Douglass claims that instead of entering the store at the side door as was supposed (since that door was left unlocked on the day of the robbery) he entered the front door by means of a skeleton key which he had previously made. He was arraigned before Justice Grover Friday, and upon pleading guilty, was placed under $100 bond for appearance at the next term of court. Being unable to procure the bonds, he was taken to Paris jail Saturday afternoon.

Elmer D. Cole, who was employed by G. L. Prescott of Berlin, N. H., during the fall and winter, has opened a jewelry business of his own in that city and reports a good business. His family have moved to that city, where they will reside in the future.

A Song.

Sing me a sweet, low song of night
Before the moon is risen,
A song that tells of the star's delight
Escaped from day's bright prison,
A song that croons with the cricket's voice,
That sleeps with the shadowed trees,
A song that shall bid my heart rejoice
At its tender mysteries!

And then when the song is ended, love,
Bend down your head unto me.
Whisper the word that was born above
Ere the moon had swayed the sea,
Ere the oldest star began to shine
Or the farthest sun to burn—
The oldest of words, O heart of mine,
Yet newest, and sweet to learn!

—Hildegarde Hawthorne in Harper's Magazine For March.

A NOVELTY IN COURTSHIP.

"When a man is forty-one years old," said Maynard's aunt, severely, "it is time for him to marry, if he is ever going to, and I don't suppose you intend to be a forlorn old bachelor all your days?"

An affectionate smile was the only answer to this appeal.

"When I am gone," she went on a moment later, "you won't have have any one to look after you ——"

"But my dear aunt, interrupted the delinquent, cherrily, "you are not gone, you know, and where is the girl to compare with you?"

A soft flush rose to the lady's cheeks at this artful speech, but she was not to be turned from her purpose and answered, promptly—

"At 49 Clifford Avenue to be sure."

"But, my dear aunt, if you mean Miss Austin, she probably would not look at me anyway, and I am certain Marion would not."

"And why not?" demanded the lady, who could see no possible reason why any woman, desirable or otherwise, could refuse this most interesting young man.

"Well, we've always known each other for one thing and yet we aren't really acquainted in a broad sense. Then, too, we have indulged in such plainness of speech and jested so much together, that the bare idea of a tender sentimental nature between us, would, I am sure, strike Marion as absurd—she has such a keen sense of the ridiculous."

A moment later he began, suddenly, "I tell you, Aunt Mary, the whole scheme of courtship is wrong. You fall in love with a girl, or think you do, and ask her to marry you, and then you proceed to get acquainted with her! Perhaps you find that you are not so well adapted to each other as you had thought, but what can you do? You are pledged—the engagement has been announced with a flourish of trumpets, as likely as not, and you can't make a change of plans without more or less unpleasant talk going on, so you work along and quarrel, and make up, and do so again, and finally marry — and, well, Aunt Mary, seriously speaking, I've seen too much of unhappy married life among my friends to try it myself."

"My married life was so happy —so very happy," said his aunt, dreamily, "that my dearest wish for you is a similar experience. It isn't right for you to live like this. You are too good a man to waste your life in this way, instead of making yourself and some woman happy, and then think of the future, my dear! Think of yourself at fifty-one—sixty-one—seventy-one——"

"I do Aunt Mary, and I dread the future, but I can't see my way to marry just yet, unless," (he whistled softly, and an amused expression replaced the serious one), "well good night, auntie, I'll surprise you yet perhaps — who knows?" and with a kiss and a long, amused look into her eyes, he left her.

Miss Marion Armstrong was not specially surprised to receive a call from Maynard Stone one evening not long after the conversation just described, (of which she, of course, knew nothing). She was Mrs. Stone's niece, and he a nephew of that lady's late husband, so although not relatives, they were connections, and met frequently, and it was natural enough that he should call. She did express regret, however, that her companion in housekeeping, Miss Austin, was out.

"So strange you did not remember, Maynard. She's always out Tuesday and Friday evenings. Auntie will be so disappointed that you didn't see her. Alice is a great favorite of hers."

"Yes, auntie's awfully fond of Miss Austin, who is a mighty nice girl, that's a fact. If she wasn't quite so nice, [had as Jerome K. Jerome says, 'A few faults to love her by'], and auntie didn't praise her so much, and I—oh, pshaw! See here, Marion, I've got a new idea. (You needn't put on that kind of a look. I have 'em sometimes). I've a notion that the manners and customs that regulate courtship are all wrong. That we 'Put the cart before the horse,' as village folks say, and I want to try a reversal of the usual order of things and see how it works, but I don't dare to do it without a little preliminary practice, a 'dress rehearsal,' so to speak, and so—and so——"

"And so you are going to practice on Alice? Now Maynard, that's not quite fair—or—or gentlemanly, if you will excuse me for saying so. I am sure auntie would be very indignant, and so should I——"

"Hold on; my dear young lady, not so fast. I haven't said that I was going to practice on Miss Austin. You jumped at that conclusion with the usual impetuosity of an undisciplined imagination. In point of fact, with your ladyship's gracious permission, I'm going to practice on you."

Marion gazed at the audacious speaker for a second with a look of mingled anger and amusement in her dark eyes. Then the absurdity of the situation struck her, and only the amusement remained.

"And suppose I refuse to give my permission?" she said.

"Oh, you won't do that I hope," he said persuasively. "Think of the fun it will be, and the opportunities it will give you to do a little missionary work, incidentally, by correcting some of my bad habits. I see myself a model young man when you are done with me."

"I take it you do not, at present, pose as what is technically called, 'A model young man?'"

"Not I, but——"

"I am glad of it because I can say what I have in my mind, and not seem to be personal. While on general principles, I respect and admire the 'Model young man' so called, for all social, domestic and friendly uses, he is almost as objectionable as a vicious one. He is so very sure of himself, you know, so exasperatingly sure! Why, to marry one of this sort, would indeed be, as Stevenson says, 'To domesticate the recording angel!'"

"Well don't make me into any such objectionable prig as that, but do consent to help me to try my new plan for 'An improved system of courtship.' That's a good name as any, isn't it?"

"For the wild scheme that you propose, yes."

"Well, the case stands thus. When a man thinks he has fallen in love with a girl, he begins to show her little attentions, sends her flowers, takes her to the theater, and writes her notes about nothing in particular. Incidentally, he pays more attention to his dress, is fastidious to the last degree about the cut of his hair, reads the same books that the 'Beloved object' is taking for her mental food, and in the last stages of the disease is known to lose his appetite, write poetry and neglect his business a little about the time she is likely to pass the office. Am I right so far?"

"Probably. You ought to know more about the details than I," was the sarcastic reply.

"Very well. Then he proposes and she accepts him—or he will take it for granted she does—and then things begin to hum. They talk about houses and the furnishing thereof, and he finds that her ideas are extravagantly beyond his means, and she, on the other hand, perhaps, finds that his tastes in wall-paper and carpets are florid to a degree that no one could have suspected, who judged by his clothes. She has plans for a "swell wedding," and he—Heaven help him—begins to have a longing which he is very properly ashamed of, for his lost bachelor freedom and no wedding at all. This of course makes him remorseful and he is a little more tender in consequence, and she, not understanding the remote cause of it all, is in her turn ashamed of having shuddered at his bad taste in colors, or dwelt mentally on some trifling personal habit that is disagreeable to her, and that it is now to late to speak about without giving offense, etc., etc., and so the coil tightens."

"I can only say, Maynard, that if those are your views, you are a small loss to any girl, and had better stay single, anyway."

"Now, my dear girl, don't get excited. I'm just supposing a case. You are so like auntie. Catch a fellow up in that disconcerting way before he has half his evidence in. Well, you've agreed to help me out, (she had done nothing of the sort, by the way, as she hastened to remind him) and the first 'dress rehearsal' will begin Friday, at eight sharp. Good-bye till then," and he was gone.

It would be tedious to follow, in detail, the incidents of the several evenings which Maynard Stone spent with Miss Armstrong in the pursuance of his scheme—"dress rehearsals" he persisted in calling them. The arrangement, entered into wholly in fun by Marion, half in earnest, and in obedience to a whimsical impulse by the gentleman, quickly became a matter-of-fact, every-day affair to both. It was astonishing how soon there ceased to be any feeling of strangeness or self-consciousness on either side.

Discussions of their favorite books, the latest interesting scientific discovery, their plans for the summer, all the ordinary topics between friends, were interspersed with the consideration of rents in different parts of the city, styles of furniture, number of rooms necessary for housekeeping, discussions of the various methods of heating, etc.

The "small notes" spoken of so sarcastically by Maynard in his resume of the details of modern courtship, flew back and forth between his office and 49 Clifford Ave., sometimes by post, oftener by office boy, who began to have his ideas on the subject, but being wiser in his day and generation than the average of his kind, was loyally silent. These notes, however, were by no means about "nothing in particular," but about everything in general, and were indeed practical and prosaic to the last degree. For example:

My dear Marion:—

If you are down town to-day, just take a look at a specially good display of couch covers at Smith's. Would like your views on one in soft shades of brown, which you can not fail to notice. While there, you might also examine a sideboard of really excellent style, but also quite suited to the modest purse of,

Faithfully yours,
Maynard Stone.

Marion always said, when she read one of these notes, "How absurd and childish of us," but her interest in household arrangements was naturally strong, and she took, in spite of herself, a pleasure in carrying out, what she called, "my part in the comedy."

There came an evening at last, when Maynard, coming in a little late, did not seem quite his natural self. He kept up his usual easy-going, happy-go-lucky manner with an effort that Marion noticed. Finally she said:

"Do sit down, Maynard. You make me nervous wandering about the room, in that aimless way. Have kitchen ranges increased in price, or is there a corner in Japanese mattings—or what is the trouble?"

"The trouble is, my dear girl, that I've reached the point in this interesting arrangement of ours, when it is my privilege as well as my duty, to offer you my hand and heart, and I have a very bad attack of 'stage fright' in consequence.'

There was a moment of silence, then Marion stood before him, pale with anger and indignation.

"Never let me hear another word of this," she cried. "How dare you speak to me in this trifling way on such a serious subject?" And then, for she was only a woman after all, and no impossible heroine of romance, she sat down and began to cry.

A remorseful look succeeded the embarrassed one on the gentleman's face, but the "stage fright" was gone forever, and he stooped and gathered up the tearful one in his strong arms.

"My dear little girl," he said, tenderly—so tenderly that Marion wondered in a dazed way, if it could really be Maynard's voice.

"Didn't you know that I was in earnest all the time? Why, I've been more or less in love with you ever since we were small tots and went to school, hand in hand. But during the twenty years we were separated, we had both changed, and when you took up that half-jesting tone, I had to meet you on your own ground, of course, and I really think I've kept it up very well. But you belong to me now, don't you dear? And we will model our conversation after the pattern of those good old-fashioned lovers who understood their business!"

"Oh, what will auntie say?" was the somewhat irrelevant reply. "She had set her heart on your marrying Alice."

"Well, as Alice (bless her) had not set *her* heart upon it, there's no harm done, and auntie will probably be grateful to any woman who will save me from old bachelorhood that she has dreaded for me, so don't worry her."

We aren't very young—for lovers," said Marion, wistfully regretful as every woman must be, who can no longer bring youth as her portion, even to a lover who has lost his own.

"Oh, nonsense, my dear, you seem young to me, and as for myself, what's forty-one, when you get used to it? You forget what Browning says upon the subject. Didn't know that I read Browning? There are lots of shining qualities about me that you haven't discovered in spite of the unusual advantages you've had in the way of a courtship conducted on entirely new principles. This is what I referred to:—

'Grow old along with me;
The best is yet to be
The last of life, for which the first was made;
Our time's are in His hand,
Who saith: 'A whole I planned.'
Youth shows but half; trust God; see all, nor be afraid.'"

There is one subject upon which Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Stone disagree. He is sure that his "Revised and improved system of courtship" is a great improvement over the antiquated method in general use, and that it only needs to be known, to be generally adopted.

But Marion shakes her head and is sure that the average woman, at least, would prefer to hear

By lover's lips, the story told
In the old-time foolish way.

STATE NEWS.

The Saco officers think they have a clue to the murderer of Ivory Boothby, the North Saco farm hand, who was murdered last September by a man who called him from the house to assist in raising a horse which Boothby was told had fallen in the road. Deputy Sheriff James H. Miles thinks he has a clue to the murder from the fact that he had learned that another farm hand had quarreled with Boothby some months before the crime was committed. This man has since shipped as a sailor and is now in foreign parts. Before sailing, the story is, he said that he had killed two men, one a farmer who had insulted him.

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The wages of the employes of the Maine Central railroad, at the Waterville shops were advanced last Monday by the extension of working hours, equivalent to about 20 per cent. and affecting 300 employes. The company has a large amount of work on hand making a most encouraging outlook for labor.

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Speaker Reed, who returned from his southern journey in fine health and spirits, will remain in Washington a few days before leaving for his home in Portland. He intends to spend several months in Europe and expects to sail early in the summer, accompanied by his wife and daughter.

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West Paris puts forth the claim of having the champion potato eater, his average having been 16 or 17 good-sized potatoes at a meal. He recently beat his record by eating 21 good-sized potatoes for his dinner, with other food in proportion. What a blessing a dozen or two such men would be to Aroostook county! This must be a genuine Oxford Bear, who has been hibernating and just crawled out.

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Kennebec county is to repair its court house this summer.

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According to the Bangor Commercial, Charles T. Haskell of Deer Isle was tarred and feathered last week, by a dozen or more men, because he would pay his attentions to a young widow, whose husband had but recently died.

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Mrs. Julia Wood, a very respectable woman about forty years of age, living in Lewiston, a short distance out of the city proper, while returning from church on Thursday evening, was murderously assaulted by an unknown man. She is in a critical condition and the doctors consider whether the woman will live or not, a doubtful question. The man who committed the deed has not been found.

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Miss Helen A. Knowlton of Camden, who was admitted to the bar, in the Knox S. J. court, Monday, after passing a brilliant examination, is the second woman in the State to be granted this right.

Women Vote "No License."

Six years ago New Zealand gave full franchise to women, and since that time the temperance vote has increased over 100 per cent. "No license" prevails in many districts.

Alcohol a Social Poison.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. F. S. Chandler spent a few days in Portland, the past week.

Mrs. L. E. Leach went to Gorham, N. H., last Saturday, to cook at the Alpine.

Robert Foster and Fred Merrill are home from Bowdoin College for a short vacation.

Mrs. Martha Kendall is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Huldah Perkins of South Paris.

Rev. F. E. Barton is to deliver the Memorial address in Brownfield, his native town.

Ethel Hammons, who has spent the past month in Portland, returned home, Friday.

Geo. Cobb of Westbrook, spent Sunday in town, as the guest of A. H. Mason and family.

Rev. J. W. Lewis delivered his lecture, "America in Prophecy" at Fairfield, last Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Abbott and son, Arnold, visited Mr. Abbott's parents at No. Paris, last week.

Barton Smith has accepted a position in a hardware store in Boston. He went to Boston the last of March.

A baked bean supper was given at Relief Corps hall, by the ladies of the M. E. church, last Thursday evening.

C. H. Post, advertising agent for the Devoe paint company of New York, was in town last Wednesday, making contracts for the company.

Archer Grover from the University of Maine, and his sister, Edith from Shaw's Business College, Portland, are home for a few days.

Mr. L. U. Bartlett has finished hauling spruce and hemlock from Albany to the Androscoggin river. He has landed some 1200 cords of spruce pulp timber and several hundred thousand feet of hemlock.

A unique piece of furniture is on the floor of the Bethel Chair Co., awaiting re-upholstering and refinish. It is a fine easy chair of English pattern, and is very old. It was sent to the company by Mr. Harry Stetson of Bath, to be repaired. It is of solid mahogany, and is elegantly carved along the front, legs and arms. At the end of each arm, is carved a perfect likeness of a dog's head, looking like the English blood-hound. The workmanship is elegant, and the chair is attracting considerable attention. This piece is of considerable value on account of its age and the elegance and novelty of workmanship upon it. It is to be re-upholstered in the best silk velours, and to receive the best finish of the company's workmen. The company often has rare and valuable pieces of furniture sent from away to be repaired.

Letter to Artemus Mason, Bethel, Me.

Dear Sir; There are several ways of cheating in milk. An old fashion way is to water it. Nobody waters it now. A better way is taking out the cream—rich milk with the cream taken out is as good as poor milk with the cream all in.

But we needn't go into particulars. You don't rob your milk and your customers.

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EASTER IN BETHEL.

At the Universalist Church

The dawning of Easter was very appropriately observed by a sunrise prayer meeting, which was held at the chapel Sunday morning at six o'clock. It was a union meeting, and was well attended by people from the various churches. All seemed especially inspired by the occasion, and one of the pleasantest and most profitable meetings of the whole year was enjoyed by all who attended. In the morning, Rev. Mr. Barton delivered an Easter sermon; appropriate music was rendered by Miss Nellie Frost, Mrs. F. L. Edwards, Miss Jane Gibson, Miss Edith Grover, the Misses Carter, Archer Grover, and George French. In the evening, a sermon was given by the pastor, followed by communion service.

At the Methodist Church.

At this church, Rev. Mr. Lewis preached an appropriate sermon in the morning. The evening program was an Easter missionary responsive service, consisting of missionary hymns, scriptural readings, and declamations. The exercises gave a brief survey of the field of Methodism at home and abroad, and proved of interest to those present.

At the Congregational Church.

Morning services appropriate to the occasion were held, consisting of special music by the choir, and a very enjoyable discourse by Rev. Mr. Varley. His sermon was based upon the 14th and 20th verses of the fifteenth chapter of I Cor. It was among the most interesting and logical discourses he has ever given in Bethel, and was listened to by a large and appreciative congregation. In the evening, a concert was given by the Sunday school, which afforded a very pleasing entertainment. The program consisted of music furnished at various intervals, by the Sunday school choir; a duet, by Mrs. Varley and Alice Purington; scripture readings; Shepherd Psalm, by Miss Clark's Sunday school class; dialogue, by Ina Hutchins and Ernest Holmes; "Aloe Plant" exercise by five boys; floral exercise and singing, by a class of little girls; song, "Something Sweet to Tell You," by a class of little girls; recitations by Abbie Heath, Agnes Hutchins, Grace and Clara Lowe, Burton Briggs, Phil Barker, and Ernie Bowler.

Addison S. Bean of Mason, was in the village to-day.

Remember the Lucier's show at Odeon Hall to-night.

Mr. Freeland Howe of Norway, was in town last week in the interest of insurance business.

The Ladies' Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Richardson, Thursday afternoon at the usual hour.

The Literary society will hold its meeting Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with Mrs. Ira C. Jordan.

Mrs. D. S. Hastings wishes to correct the error in last week's issue, relative to the number of sheep kept on her husband's ranch in Montana. During the past winter he has had 5000 sheep, while the number usually wintered is 7000 instead of 7000 to 12,000, as reported.

The Bethel Library Association are about to change the public library from its present location to the building on Broad street, known as Judge Foster's office. The association is extremely fortunate in being able to secure a building so well located and so well adapted to the purpose as is this one. There are two large rooms, one of which will be furnished for a reception room while the other will be used for the books.

The lecture at the Universalist church, Monday evening, was very well attended. It was given by Rev. Martin D. Kneeland, D.D., of Boston, who is authority, and probably the best informed man in New England, on the condition of public sentiment in regard to the proper observance of the Sabbath. Mr. Kneeland while in town, was very successful in soliciting subscriptions to carry on the work of the N. E. Sabbath Protective League.

Notice.

All persons desiring to bid on the building of the new school house at Northwest Bethel will leave their bids with the Superintendent of Schools, on or before Saturday, April 22. The house is to be 22x30 feet, and must be finished by Aug. 20. For plans and further particulars inquire of the Superintendent.

The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

E. C. BOWLER.

Notice.

The undersigned having purchased a residence in Portland, are desirous of disposing of their household furniture in Bethel, including carpets, chamber sets, curtains, crockery and tinware, stoves, and numerous other household utensils.

All who are desirous of purchasing any of the above named articles, are cordially invited to call.

MR. and MRS. ENOCH FOSTER.

Bethel, April 1, 1899. 3w.

LOCALS.

For a few weeks, the NEWS will publish helps on the Sunday School lesson. If these are a benefit to our readers will you kindly let us know and we will continue publishing them.

The Luciers are said by those who claim to know, to give a fine entertainment. The company is headed by the blind actor and musician, Prof. J. R. Lucier, and he is supported by a talented company.

Mr. Milton Penley is once more able to attend to his duties. Mr. Penley has had an unfortunate winter as regards his health, having been confined to the house seven different periods since Thanksgiving.

A. W. Grover, Esq. has leased the rooms formerly occupied by Goddard Bros. and will open an up-to-date undertaking establishment the coming week. He will close his office in Cole Block and conduct his work as pension agent in his office at the undertaking rooms.

"A word to the wise is sufficient" and a word from the wise should be sufficient, but you ask, who are the wise? Those who know. The oft repeated experience of trustworthy persons may be taken for knowledge. Mr. W. M. Terry says Chamberlain's Cough Remedy gives better satisfaction than any other in the market. He has been in the drug business at Elkton, Ky., for twelve years; has sold hundreds of bottles of this remedy and nearly all other cough medicines manufactured, which shows conclusively that Chamberlain's is the most satisfactory to the people, and is the best. For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, and W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills. *1m

DOUBLY DANGEROUS.

The Drunkard Not Only Ruins Himself, but His Descendants.

Dr. Bienfait points out in his remarkable study of alcoholism that the alcoholic subject is doubly dangerous, for he not only harms himself, but also—what is worse—harms his descendants.

His children are not normal beings, strong, well set up and likely to turn out capable and sturdy workingmen or well educated men of productive intellect. On the contrary, careful observation of facts shows more clearly each day that the offspring of drinkers is utterly degenerate physically or morally, and often both. Their children die in large numbers in their first years, and those who survive often remain undersized, deformed, predisposed to disease; they often suffer from convulsions, dropsy of the brain, dumbness, idiocy, epilepsy and scrofula.

And should the liquor drinkers reply that they are quite free to do what they please—even to shorten their own lives—the Belgian physician asks whether they also consider themselves free to make miserable wrecks of their children, condemning them from their very birth to be objects of contempt, if not of pity, all for the sake of gratifying a low passion. No, this freedom cannot be tolerated. It would with time bring about the complete deterioration of the human race.—New York Herald.

Selling Flesh and Blood.

Nearly a hundred years ago John Wesley gave as one main reason why food was so scarce and dear the consumption of grain in distilling. "Tell it not in Constantinople," he wrote, "that the English raise the royal revenue by selling the flesh and blood of their countrymen."—Exchange.

Apt Quotations.

Proverbs, axioms and wise sayings have been uttered by Confucius and other wise men from time to time immemorial, but few people realize how many there are of them. C. I. Hood & Co., of Sarsaparilla fame, have over two thousand and they have originated the ingenious plan of serving them up in delectable shape in thousands of newspapers, with each one neatly turning a point as to the merit of their well known medicine. The extensive use of these proverbs is original and creditable to Hood & Co.

Spring, gentle spring, is supposed to be here. It is the alleged season of hand organs, robins, high-priced feminine head-gear, injunctions to take all kinds of blood purifiers, etc., but snow storms follow each other in bewildering succession, the maple sugar maker grows impatient and the ordinary mortal remarks, "Guess we ain't going to have a spring." The gentle spring has sprung.

RHEUMATISM CURED.

My wife used Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism with great relief, and I can recommend it as a splendid liniment for rheumatism and other household use for which we have found it valuable.—W. J. CUYLER, Red Creek, N. Y.

Mr. Cuyler is one of the leading merchants of this place and one of the most prominent men of this vicinity.—W. G. PHIPPIN, Editor Red Creek Herald. For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, and W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills. *1m

What will it do? It will do so much that it is impossible to tell it in a short space. It will brighten and freshen the rooms you have been living in and destroy all germs of disease. It will make the inside of the house attractive and cheerful, and if the house is not cheerful the family can hardly expect to be. It will protect the outside of the house and preserve it from decay, besides making it good to look upon. It will "stick closer than a brother," and it will make a place for itself in the corner of your heart, so that when the name "Chilton Paint" is mentioned you will "rise up and call it blessed."

IRA C. JORDAN, BETHEL, ME.

Our Young Readers.

Spring Is Coming.

BY SYDNEY DAYRE.

Hang the skates on the attic wall.
Alas for spring and summer and fall!
No more gliding swift as light
Over the runners keen and bright;
No more rallies for winter joys,
Of sturdy, rollicking, noisy boys,
On the glittering, shining ice,
Clear and solid and smooth and nice,
With starlight beaming down—ho, ho!
Up and away, boys; here we go.
Hide it away—the coasting sled—
In the garret over the shed.
You could fancy it almost drew
A sigh to itself, as if it knew.
No more speeding over the snow
Down the steep to the glen below.
No more storming the snow-fort wall—
A breath of spring has leveled it all.
But hip, hurrah for the bat and ball,
Marbles, tops, and tennis and all.
Bring your boat, and rejoice to see
The lake's blue waters free.
Bring your rod, and be glad to find
No ice the bubbling stream to bind.
Hare and hounds o'er the country wide—
Who wants snow on the green hillside?
Spring and summer and autumn fly—
Days and weeks and months go by
With never an hour sad and drear
To blithe young hearts, the livelong year.
And when the beautiful days are past
We'll weather once more the wintry blast,
Greeting with skates and sleds again
Old Jack Frost and his jolly train.

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AT EASTER.

Somebody had given Edith a lily—that is to say, the growing plant. For months she had been watching it, and taking care of it, with great patience and pains. And now, when next Sunday would be Easter, the beautiful white calla had unfolded itself, just in time.

"I am going to carry it to the church on Sunday," said Edith to her Aunt Hester. "All the girls in our class are going to bring flowers; some of them will be bouquets, and some will be in pots, like this. I don't believe any of them will be any prettier than mine, do you?"

"No, indeed," said Aunt Hester, "yours is a beauty. And you have been a very careful little gardener; I am glad it has turned out so well."

Aunt Hester was tying her bonnet strings in front of the mirror, as they talked, and, having made them into a nice bow, she stooped down to kiss Edith good-by.

"Where are you going to, Aunt Hestor?" asked the little girl, wistfully.

"To see an old, old lady who is sick, and lonely, and poor. She asked me to come to-day, so I must do it."

"I wish I could go, too."

Aunt Hester thought a moment. "Well, so you can, if your mother will let you. Run and ask her."

About five minutes later, the two were walking down the street together; or rather, Aunt Hester walked, and Edith skipped along somewhere in her neighborhood. But when the visit to old Mrs. Cooper was over, and they were on their way home again, not the most dignified of grown-up persons could have moved with more sobriety, than did Edith. For a long time she was very silent, but at last she said:

"Aunt Hester, aren't you glad you were born to be yourself, and not Mrs. Cooper? Isn't she awfully sorrowful?"

"She is, indeed, poor woman."

"I never saw anybody that has had so many diseases, and deaths in the family, and other things besides. Did you?"

If Aunt Hester smiled a little, Edith did not suspect it.

"She is certainly greatly to be pitied. Thank God, little niece, every day you live, for your friends, and your home, and the love that has always been yours. They are sad things to be without."

Edith nodded. "Yes. Because Mrs. Cooper has to go without, and she is just as sad as she can be. I suppose people that have them ought to try to make it up to people that haven't, as much as they can. That is what you"—giving the skirt of her aunt's jacket an affectionate pull—"are always trying to do. I think you are a very golden rule lady, Aunt Hester."

"Do you, dear? But maybe you are a partial judge."

"What is that?"

"You like to think as kindly of me as possible, because we are such good friends."

"The most acquainted judges ought to know the best, I guess," said Edith, with a shrewd toss of her head. "I guess if anybody lived in the house with you every day, they would have to be 'parcel' judges."

Aunt Hester laughed, and made no further objection to such sweet logic.

The next morning, when Edith found herself awake, almost her first thoughts were of Mrs. Cooper.

"Poor old lady! Last night, I suppose, she didn't have anyone to say good-night to her, and this morning there is nobody to say good-morning; and very likely she just kept thinking of all her troubles, when she couldn't go to sleep and forget them, on account of her rheumatism and the other things. I feel very sorry for her. I wish I had something pleasant to give her, that would be a little comfort."

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She looked about the room at her various small posessions, until her glance rested upon the lily, blooming in the sunshine.

"Oh, but," she cried, hastily, sitting up in bed, "that is for the church! That is for the Lord! He knows I meant it for Him, and it would not be right to change my mind now, when he is expecting it. And, anyway, of course it is better to give it to Him than to Mrs. Cooper."

She jumped up, and began to dress, a task which she accomplished much more rapidly than usual. But she could not get rid of her troublesome idea, which followed her to breakfast, and to school, and home again.

"Aunt Hester," she asked after dinner, "do you suppose one flower would show much in a churchful?"

"Oh, it will do its part," said Aunt Hester, cheerfully, not understanding the question. "Never fear."

"But," persisted Edith, "it could not be missed, could it, if it weren't there, when there will be so many?"

Aunt Hester answered her with a question.

"For whose sake are you going to take your lily to the church on Sunday?"

"God's," said Edith, reverently.

"Don't you think He would miss it, if it were not there?"

"I think maybe he would rather miss it."

Aunt Hester was puzzled. She lifted her eyebrows, and waited for more light.

"I mean," explained Edith, "I think maybe He would like me to give it to Mrs. Cooper instead. It will not show in the church that it is gone. You know God will have so many to remember Him on Easter Sunday, and Mrs. Cooper won't have anybody. I am sure He would just as soon I should take it to her—sooner."

"Couldn't you carry it around to her after the morning service?" asked her aunt, knowing what a disappointment it would be.

But Edith shook her head. "I thought of that. But don't you remember, she cried because she couldn't go to church, and said she was cut off from all the 'ligious priv'liges? I thought, if she could have my lily at the right time, when all the churches were having flowers, perhaps it would feel something like being there herself. It would make an awfully small church, of course, just Mrs. Cooper; but God would come to it, wouldn't He? And He is enough, by Himself, to be a 'ligious priv'lege."

"Very well, then," said Aunt Hester, gently, "do what you think is best."

And early on Easter morning, Edith carried the lily carefully round to Mrs. Cooper.

When the great congregation gathered in the flower-laden church, for the Easter service, more than one of those present, knew that Edith's lily was missing. And more than one mind turned to the bare room in the back street, where the exquisite calla was making a spot of loviliness in its dingy surroundings. So I think the Head of the Church counted Himself as having a larger congregation there, than "just Mrs. Cooper." However this may be, it is certain that His forlorn, rheumatic old worshiper did not fail of a blessing on that beautiful Easter Sunday.

"It seems," she said to Aunt Hester, "as if the Lord had sent His very Word to me in that white flower. I can't once look at it without hearing Him say, 'Only a few more days and nights of old age, and then the Resurrection and the Life.' I thank Him that He has opened my blind eyes at last to see the goodness of my Lord."

"Maybe it was just my 'magination, Aunt Hester," said Edith, as they walked home after church service together; "but I thought the church would have looked prettier, if my flower had been there. I don't mean I am sorry about it; because Mrs. Cooper had the prettiness, and it couldn't be in both places, so God did not mind, I know."

"I know," answered Aunt Hester, "that the joy He saw in poor old Mrs. Cooper's heart, and the kindness in my little girl's, were more beautiful to Him than a whole garden of lilies."—SALLY CAMPBELL, in The Churchman.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON II, SECOND QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, APRIL 9.

Text of the Lesson, John xii, 1-11. Memory Verses, 1-3—Golden Text, Mark xiv, 8—Commentary Prepared by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

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1. "Then Jesus, six days before the Passover, came to Bethany, where Lazarus was which had been dead, whom He raised from the dead." The sisters had been caused to forget their misery and to remember it as waters that pass away. Their sorrow had been turned into joy (Job xi, 16; John xvi, 20). Resurrection will heal every sorrow for the believer and bring us body and soul to be forever with the Lord (I Thess. iv, 16, 17), and we shall then see in that sense all present afflictions are light and but for a moment, and how they have all been working out for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory (II Cor. iv, 17, 18). All the Bible records of the sorrows of the saints have been written for our instruction that we through patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope (Rom. xv, 4).

2. "There they made Him a supper, and Martha served, but Lazarus was one of them that sat at the table with Him." We have no record of a single utterance from Lazarus after he returned from the joys of the spirit world to live again on this earth. Perhaps his testimony would be the same as that of Paul, that it was impossible for him to utter what he heard (II Cor. xii, 4). His life was now that of one really risen from the dead, and it bore fruit to the glory of God, as we shall see, even though there is no record of any testimony from him. Martha is still serving as in Luke x, 40, but she is no longer cumbered. It is our privilege to serve restfully.

3. "Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair, and the house was filled with the odor of the ointment." Thus she truly worshiped Him; she poured upon Him that which had cost her a great deal; she gave unto Him that which naturally she would have used upon herself. One has said that in the three we have a full Christian life—in Lazarus a risen life, in Mary true worship, in Martha service without being cumbered. We must not confound this anointing with that in the house of Simon the Pharisee (Luke vii, 37, 38), as the incidents and the people were altogether different. That was by a woman whose name we know not. We have no right to suppose that she was Mary of Magdala. In our worship may we have the spirit of Mary of Bethany and of David, who said that he would not offer to the Lord that which cost him nothing (II Sam. xxiv, 24).

4, 5. "Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred pence and given to the poor?" Thus said Judas Iscariot, but the other disciples also had indignation and said, "To what purpose is this waste?" (Math. xxvi, 8.) When we with the whole heart worship Him and give Him our best, we may expect that some will find fault. They always have and always will. Men may misjudge thy aim, think they have cause for blame, say thou art wrong. Hold on thy quiet way. Heed not what men may say; Christ is the judge, not they. Fear not; be strong. A sincere desire to please Him will always find acceptance in His sight, even though the effort may be poor.

6. "This he said not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief and had the bag and bore what was put therein." This is most remarkable—that though Jesus knew that Judas was an evil one and a thief (chapter vi, 70), yet He suffered him to be their treasurer and put up with him so long. What long suffering patience, not human, but divine! And then to think that at the last He could allow Judas to kiss Him! It is too much for us! How could He suffer it? He has in all things left us an example that we should follow His steps, who when He was reviled reviled not again; when He suffered He threatened not (I Pet. ii, 21-23). When we have to do with wicked people, let us consider Him who endured such contradiction of sinners against Himself, lest we be weary (Heb. xii, 3).

7. "Then said Jesus, Let her alone; against the day of My burying hath she kept this." He also said, "She hath wrought a good work upon Me; she did it for My burial" (Math. xxvi, 10, 12). "She hath done what she could; she is come aforehand to anoint My body to the burying" (Mark xiv, 8). The women who bought spices after He died and came to the sepulcher on the morning of the third day to anoint His dead body did not find a dead body to anoint, but found a risen Christ to greet them. They manifested love, but not faith. Many manifested the faith which worketh by love.

8. "For the poor always ye have with you, but Me ye have not always." Mark says that He added in connection with the poor, "And whensoever ye will ye may do them good" (Mark xiv, 7). The law said, "The poor shall never cease out of the land" (Deut. xvi, 11), and concerning Israel in her time of suffering for her sins the Lord said, "I will also leave in the midst of thee an afflicted and poor people, and they shall trust in the name of the Lord" (Zeph. iii, 12). Such are spoken of in Jas. ii, 5, as "the poor of this world, rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He hath promised to them that love Him." What an honor to be permitted to do anything personally for our Lord, and He said that what Mary did would be spoken of in all the world for a memorial of her (Mark xiv, 9).

9. "They came not for Jesus' sake only." This is written of the Jews who came to see Lazarus, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. Does not the expression describe many who attend public worship and possibly some who preach and teach and sing or work in works that are good? Let us always apply it first to ourselves—Am I doing everything for Jesus' sake only?

10. "But the chief priests consulted that they might put Lazarus also to death." The rich man in Luke xvi who finds himself in a place of torment is heard saying that if only one from the dead will go to his brothers who are still on the earth they will believe, but he is told that if they will not hear Moses and the prophets neither will they believe though one rose from the dead.

11. "Because that by reason of him many of the Jews went away and believed on Jesus." If people could see in Christians the reality of a Christlike life, while many would be provoked to hate such a life, yet there might be many more believing on Him. There are four gospels in the Bible which are not much read, but there is a fifth gospel which is being constantly read, and that is the gospel according to you.

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TRAINS FROM ISLAND POND TO PORTLAND RUN AS FOLLOWS:

	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Island Pond,	2.40	6.00	1.18
Gorham,	4.38	8.10	2.57
Gilead,	5.02	8.30	3.15
West Bethel,	5.14	8.42	3.26
BETHEL,	**5.24**	**8.51**	**3.33**
Locke's Mills,	5.36	9.00	3.41
Bryant Pond,	5.45	9.08	3.47
South Paris,	6.17	9.35	4.16
Portland,	8.10	11.30	5.45

TRAINS FROM PORTLAND TO ISLAND POND RUN AS FOLLOWS:

	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Portland,	8.10	1.30	6.00
South Paris,	9.59	3.40	7.58
Bryant Pond,	10.29	4.20	8.35
Locke's Mills,	10.37	4.31	8.45
BETHEL,	**10.45**	**4.40**	**9.00**
West Bethel,	10.52	4.48	9.10
Gilead,	11.03	5.02	9.24
Gorham,	11.31	5.30	10.00
Island Pond,	1.32	8.05	12.20

Sunday paper train leaves Portland going west at 8.30 a. m., South Paris 10.19, Bryant Pond 10.51, Locke's Mills 10.59, Bethel 11.10, West Bethel 10.20, Gilead 11.34, Gorham 12.00, arriving in Berlin 12.25.

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Sale of Real Estate in Bethel.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a license granted on the twenty-seventh day of February, A. D. 1899, by the Hon. Henry C. Peabody, Judge of the Probate Court for Cumberland County, I will sell and convey at public sale on the premises, on May 16, A. D. 1899 at eleven o'clock A. M., the following described real estate with the buildings thereon, to wit:—

A parcel of land situated in the town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, bounded and described as follows, viz:— Beginning on the line of land formerly of Timothy Capen, on the westerly side of the County Road leading down the southerly side of the Androscoggin river to Rumford; thence southerly on said road nineteen rods to a stake and stones; thence West eleven degrees, South sixty rods to a stake and stone; thence North eighteen degrees West thirty-six and one half rods to a stake and stones on line of land formerly of Timothy Capen; thence on line of said Capen land to first mentioned bound.

Also one other piece or parcel of land situated in said Bethel and bounded as follows, to wit:— Beginning at the South corner of what was formerly the hog pasture fence of one Timothy Capen on the Easterly side of the County road running through said Bethel to Rumford; thence East nineteen rods to a stake and stones; thence Northerly seventeen rods to a Norway pine tree standing on the line of land formerly of Timothy Capen and of John Oliver; thence on said line East twenty degrees North to land formerly owned by Andrew Oliver; thence South twenty degrees West fifty rods to land formerly owned by one Jonathan A. Russell; thence Westerly on said line to first mentioned road; thence on said road thirty-seven rods to the first mentioned bound, containing about twenty acres.

Also one other parcel of land situated in said Bethel, being the Easterly half part of the eighteenth lot in the Seventh range of lots in said town on the South side of the Androscoggin river.

Also one other parcel of land situated in said Bethel being one-half of the Westerly half part of lot numbered eighteen in the Seventh Range of lots in said town except ten acres from Southwest corner of said half lot.

Also one other parcel of land situated in said Bethel, bounded and described as follows, viz:— On the North on land owned or occupied by Newell Annis and the burying ground of the Capen family; on the East and South by lands formerly owned by Edward A. Capen; on the West by the County road leading past said land from Bethel Hill to Rumford Corner.

The several lots or parcels of land above described contain about one hundred and twenty acres.

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..COUNTY NEWS..

OTHER COUNTY NEWS ON PAGE FOUR.

Will all correspondents please bear in mind that all items, to insure publication *must* be signed by the sender. Also, if there is any communication to be made to the editor, that it should be made on a separate sheet of paper. We are glad to furnish stamped envelopes to all correspondents, but many times such are asked for and no name given, and, as in some towns we occasionally receive items from more than one person, the name must be signed in order to receive any attention. Please send items so that they will reach us Tuesday, if possible.—Ed.

WEST BETHEL.

—How sweet is Spring—
At least it was in years agone,
When one could hear the blue-birds
At early dawn. [sing
But nowadays,
We have, alas! no Spring at all;
For every where ice meets one's gaze—
It's always *Fall*.

Sap runs on southern slopes.

The Lenten season is over at last and feasting days have come.

William Woodis of Greenwood made us a pleasant call Sunday.

We are told it is April, but it seems more like February or March.

The scholars of West Bethel are hoping Miss Maud Merrow will be their teacher for another year.

Miss Grace M. Mills is working for a premium by taking orders for soap from house to house in the vicinity.

H. B. Mason is trimming apple trees for E. G. Wheeler, and no ladder is needed to reach the highest limbs.

Wm. C. Smith goes to Locke Mills, Bryant Pond, and South Paris this week in the interest of the Portland Transcript.

Advance-paid subscribers to the Bethel NEWS can receive the Woman's Home Companion, Farm and Fireside, and Good Literature for a year, by sending one dollar to E. R. Briggs, West Bethel, which is 85 cents less than the publishers' prices.

George Cleveland Tyler, son of Lewis Tyler, committed suicide Sunday afternoon by shooting himself through the heart with a Winchester rifle. He was about twenty-five years old, and unmarried. He had been working in the saw mill for J. P. Skillings, but came home about a week ago, and on Sunday was with his parents, youngest sister, Henry Cross and Percy O'Brine. He said he was going to the chamber to lie down, and on reaching the stairway took the rifle from the place where it was kept. Reaching the chamber he removed his coat, vest and boots, bared his breast to which he aimed the rifle and it is supposed discharged it with his foot. He had twice before attempted suicide when at home by inhailing chloroform, and each time was discovered before life had become extinct, but when the rifle ball passed through the heart and body the end came suddenly. He leaves a father, mother, three sisters and one brother. Funeral Tuesday, Rev. F. E. Barton officiating.

I was reading an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in the Worcester Enterprise recently, which leads me to write this. I can truthfully say I never used any remedy equal to it for colic and diarrhoea. I have never had to use more than one or two doses to cure the worst case with myself or children.—W. A. STROUD, Popomoke, Md. For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, and W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills. *1m

That Cough Hangs On

You have used all sorts of cough remedies but it does not yield; it is too deep seated. It may wear itself out in time, but it is more liable to produce la grippe, pneumonia or a serious throat affection. You need something that will give you strength and build up the body.

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will do this when everything else fails. There is no doubt about it. It nourishes, strengthens, builds up and makes the body strong and healthy, not only to throw off this hard cough, but to fortify the system against further attacks. If you are run down or emaciated you should certainly take this nourishing food medicine.

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NORWAY.

Andrew Jackson, who has had charge of a making room in the shoe factory for the past six years, closed his labors with the firm last week.

Mrs. Hiram Abbott of So. Andover, who is at Chas. Adams', gains rapidly from the effects of a critical operation performed by Drs. Oaks and Bradbury, some weeks since.

The recent spring weather has furnished water for the Electric Co.'s turbines, at Steep Falls. During the past few months the power has been furnished entirely by steam, but the melting snow will greatly reduce the running expenses of the plant.

Wm. Jones, who takes Frank Lee's place as superintendent of the Norway & So. Paris Electric Road, has already begun a new system of work which will be appreciated by the travelling public. Ernest Rowe is his assistant in the mechanical department.

The cutting department at the shoe factory has been divided. The B. F. Spinney work, under the management of Chas. Sargent, is done in one part of the shop, and the Radcliffe Shoe Company's goods are cut in another room. This insures a more systematic method of manufacture.

Easter Sunday passed with the usual morning sermons and special music in our several churches. In the evening, elaborate programs were carried out at the Universalist and Congregational churches. The chorus of twelve voices and orchestra at the Universalist, and a choir of twenty-seven voices at the Congregationalist were well received by large audiences. Both societies are to be congratulated upon the success of their concerts. A large number from So. Paris attended the evening exercises.

NORTH NORWAY.

O. N. Cox has tapped 188 trees.

Mr. I. J. Judkins is on the sick list.

A. S. Flint began carrying cream April 1.

Chas. Verrill is laid up with a severe cold.

John Hussey is teaming for A. E. Hussey.

John A. French is very feeble this spring.

Packard's auction was well attended; A. D. Park, auctioneer.

Sarah McKay is very low; her people think she is in consumption.

February witnessed the greatest number of wrecks ever known in one month, in the North Atlantic ocean.

Uncle David Sanborn, our weather prophet, says that cold weather will continue until the second week in April.

Mr. and Mrs. Abbott of Paris, have been hired to oversee the town farm. Mr. Abbott has held the position before, and was well liked.

DENMARK.

Miss Lill Wilson is home from Boston on a vacation.

Maynard Frost of Sebago, was at his uncle's, A. H. Witham, March 30.

Geo. Smith and daughter Dorothy, will start April 13, for California, where Mrs. Smith is staying for her health.

A. H. Jones returned Tuesday, from his visit to Boston and Lowell. His son Will of Lowell, came with him for a two weeks' stay.

A. P. Pingree's horse, being hitched by the bits at the post office, broke away as Mr. Pingree was about to unhitch it, and started for home, leaving the bridle and reins on the hitch post. Several attempts were made to stop the horse; one man ran out bareheaded, overtook the team and got into the sleigh, but as there were no reins and the horse was going slowly toward home, concluded as he could not stop him, to step out and let him go. The horse reached home without damaging the sleigh in the least.

NORTH ALBANY.

Carrie Emery is home from Norway.

Louisa Bennett is at home this spring.

Milford Brown was in Bethel, on business, Saturday.

Rufus Cole is quite a horse trader; he has exchanged twice in the past week.

Andrew Stiles and his two little granddaughters are visiting at F. H. Bennett's.

The Leighton Bros. have completed their contracts and will break camp at once.

Daniel Mills, who has been very lame with rheumatism, spent Tuesday of last week at Leighton's camps.

Fifteen ladies from Bethel and Gilead visited at Leighton's camps one day last week; according to report, a good time was enjoyed.

Frank Abbott has bought the Thomas Morrill farm, and is moving there. Mr. and Mrs. Abbott lived on this farm last summer. They are good neighbors, and will be welcomed back with pleasure.

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Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggists.

SOUTH PARIS.

The village schools began Monday.

Mr. J. J. Murphy of this village, is working in a brass finishing shop in Boston.

Mr. Harry Pierce of Paris Hill, recently began work on a four sided planer in the sled factory.

An entertainment and sociable will be given next Wednesday evening for the benefit of the High school baseball team.

Mr. Walter Rowe, who left the employ of the Paris Mfg Co. last spring to enlist in Co. D, is again working at his old job in the saw mill of that firm.

The Paris Mfg Co. is putting in a new set of blowers, to take the sawdust and shavings from the various machines and transport it into the fires beneath the boilers. Thus the firing is done automatically, and requires no shoveling as heretofore.

The Grange gave a very interesting entertainment and sociable at their hall last Wednesday evening. The program was as follows:

Harmonica Solo,	Charles Spofford
Reading,	Mrs. Cummings
Violin Solo,	Albert Murphy
Reading,	Albert Andrews
Vocal Solo,	Mrs. A. Holmes
Violin Solo,	Albert Murphy
Vocal Solo,	Albert Gay

Deane Bros. orchestra also added to the entertainment by playing several selections. After the entertainment, the audience feasted upon ice cream and cake, after which a very jolly sociable was enjoyed by all.

GILEAD.

Frank Coffin of Hastings, was in town, last Saturday.

J. W. Bennett and family went to Portland, one day last week.

A Mr. Thompson was in town last week selling various extracts.

Archie T. Heath is giving to the engine of his merry-go-round, new wheels and axles.

Mr. Whitman of Shelburne, N. H., was in town last Friday, with a four-horse team.

On March 27, Mr. Tenney of Gorham, N. H., a dealer in tinware and other goods, spent the night in town.

Mr. Cuvier Stiles from Dummer, whose father, many years ago, was a resident of our town, was at Josiah Heath's last Saturday.

Miss Alma Heath went to Gorham, N. H., April 1, to remain for a time with her sister, who is not yet able to resume the duties of her household.

Mrs. Henry Verrill and her sister, Miss Lydia W. Peabody are visiting friends and relatives in town. If they call upon all who would like to see them, they will require several days for that purpose.

Fred Wight, we hear, is doing quite a business, hauling home fire-wood with his team of two yoke of steers. A. D. Wight will have help in a year or two, about hauling birch to the mill.

MASON.

No sap weather yet.

Over four feet of snow in the woods.

A. B. Grover of Grover Hill, was in town, Saturday.

Ernest Morrill had a sheep killed by a dog, last Saturday.

Old Sol has a hard month's work ahead to clear the fields for farming.

S. O. Grover visited his sick mother in Bethel, Saturday and Monday.

Mr. Arriel Carver has moved to Greenwood, where he has taken a farm for the season.

Frank Hapgood and son of Bethel, were in town last Saturday, looking for neat stock.

Fred and Minnie Wheeler have returned from Upton, where they have been visiting their sister, Mrs. Walter Strickland.

Our selectmen say that Mrs. Addison Bean has the two best sheep in town. Each has a pair of twin lambs; one pair will weigh nearly forty pounds each.

Addison Bean has a heifer, two years and two months old, that dropped her second calf, last Saturday. She is extra size for one so young. She dropped her first calf on the day she was sixteen months old.

GROVER HILL.

Through the clouds, that veil the sky,
Come, O Sun, and sweetly smile!

Snow is very deep for this time of year.

Fred Wheeler and his sister, Minnie, visited in Upton, last week.

We learn that A. J. Peaslee is to cut some cord wood for E. S. Kilborn.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tyler, and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Emery were on Grover Hill, last Sunday.

Miss Winnifred Brown is at home, while her sister Bertha is at Waterford.

GRAFTON.

Frank Forrest is boarding at O. W. Brooks'.

Will H. Otis, who has been scaling logs for F. O. Thomas of Andover, this winter, has returned home.

The logging teams of Fred Lane of Upton, passed through town, last week, on their way from Wild River. One of R. B. Thurston's teams, that has been at Swift river, also passed the same day, on its way to Errol, N. H.

BARRELS OF SAMPLES.

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It matters not how sick you are or how many physicians have failed to help you, send for a trial bottle of this great medicine, it costs you but a postal card, and benefit and cure will most certainly be the result.

Put some urine in a glass tumbler and let it stand 24 hours; if it has a sediment or if it is pale or discolored, milky or cloudy, stringy or ropy, your Kidneys or Bladder are in a bad condition. Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy speedily cures such dangerous symptoms as pain in the back, inability to hold urine, a burning scalding pain in passing it, frequent desire to urinate, especially at night, the staining of linen by your urine and all the unpleasant and dangerous effects on the system produced by the use of whiskey, wine or beer. Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is sold at all drug stores at $1.00 for a large bottle; six bottles for $5.00.

MILTON PLANTATION.

April 3, born to the wife of Elmer Lapham, a son.

Charles Davis has been in very poor health this spring.

March 31, born to the wife of John Brown, a daughter.

Frank Perkins and Rose Whitman were in town, Saturday.

Mark Allen and friend, Mr. Huston of Auburn, spent Sunday at his home.

Miss Ivy Richardson went to So. Paris, Saturday, where she is to teach this spring.

Mrs. Charles Barker of East Bethel, is staying with her sister, Mrs. Richardson, for a while.

Mrs. C. A. Clifford came home from So. Paris, Monday, where she had been visiting for a week.

LOVELL.

Mrs. E. S. Farrington gave birth to a son, March 12.

Henry Brown went to Portland on business, April 1.

Ressy Charles has gone to Norway to work in the shoe shop.

Susie Littlefield is visiting her grandmother at Waterford.

Charles Chandler has gone to Rockland, Mass., to work in a shoe shop.

Lester Briggs of Sweden, is working in Eben Fox's mill, and boarding at the hotel.

WANTS, LOST, ETC.

Notices under this head inserted one week for 25 cents. Three weeks for 50 cents.

STOLEN—An extra black Sleigh Robe was taken from my shed last Monday night, and anyone furnishing any information concerning the same will be suitably rewarded. A. B. Richardson, Bethel, Me. 44tf

WANTED—At the Bethel Town Farm, a good, reliable man and his wife to take charge of the farm and care for the inmates of the house.
S. B. Twitchell, C. E. Barker, F. J. Russell, } Overseers of the Poor.
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PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Bethel NEWS a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of April, A. D., 1899, at 9 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereof, if they see cause.

PARASINA CHASE, late of Bethel, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate and invest proceeds, also to invest proceeds of personal estate, presented by Ellery C. Park, trustee.

VOLNEY S. DAVIS, late of Bethel, deceased; petition for an allowance out of personal estate, presented by Vitella M. Davis, widow.

SEWARD S. STEARNS, Judge of said Court, A true copy—attest:
3w44 ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of

WILLIAM F. LOVEJOY, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. 44
March 21st, 1899. Martha A. Lovejoy.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of

ISAAC C. HEATH, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. 44
March 21st, 1899. Ellery C. Park.

NOTICE.

The subscribers hereby give notice that they have been duly appointed executors of the last will and testament of

ENOCH W. WOODBURY, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. 44
March 21st, 1899. Webster Woodbury, Wesley K. Woodbury.

NOTICE.

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THEODORE PARKER.

He Had Great Regard For His Wife, Though He Called Her "Bear."

Those who knew Parker only in the pulpit did not half know him, says Mrs. Julia Ward Howe in the March Atlantic. Apart from the field of theological controversy he was one of the most sympathetic and delightful of men. I have rarely met any one whose conversation had such a ready and varied charm. His idea of culture was encyclopedic, and his reading, as might have been inferred from the size of his library, was enormous. The purchase of books was his single extravagance. One whole floor was given up to them, and in spite of this they overflowed into hall and drawing room. He was very generous in lending them, and I often profited by his kindness in this respect.

His affection for his wife was very great. From a natural love of paradox he was accustomed to style this mild creature Bear, and he delighted to carry out this pleasantry by adorning his etagere with miniature bears, in wood carving, porcelain and so on. His gold shirt stud bore the impress of a bear. At one Christmas time he showed me a breakfast cup upon which a bear had been painted by his express order as a gift for his wife. At another he granted me a view of a fine silver candlestick in the shape of a bear and staff, which was also intended for her. He even confided to me the first clauses of a little catechism which ran as follows:

"What creature is this?"
"A bear."
"What sort of bear is it?"
"The very best sort of bear."
"What shall it do to be saved?"
"Have cubs."

Which, alas, the poor Bear did never accomplish!

To my husband he often spoke of the excellence of his wife's discernment of character. He would say: "My quiet little wife, with her simple intuition, understands people more readily than I do. I sometimes invite a stranger to my house and tell her that she will find him as pleasant as I have found him. It may turn out so, but if my wife says, 'Theodore, I don't like that man; there's something wrong about him,' I always find in the end that I have been mistaken—that her judgment was correct."

Keely Motor Power.

Apropos of all that has been printed within the past month or two concerning that late distinguished Philadelphia citizen Keely, the motor man whose motor never "moted" just right, there comes to mind a once suggested possible connection between Keely's mysterious working force and the water supply of the city of Philadelphia, which for many years had the reputation of being almost the worst in the world. Keely, as is just now fresh in memory, promised to accomplish all sorts of wonderful performances through the possibilities stored up in nothing more than a cup of water, one of the prospective achievements having been the running of a fast express train from Philadelphia to New York in a half hour or thereabout with the aforesaid cupful of water as one of the mainsprings of the requisite power. Some one, therefore, said that, after all, there was nothing wonderful about it, providing the water used were Philadelphia water which had been left standing for a day or two. The animals in it would by that time have become large enough to climb out and help push the train.—Cassier's Magazine For March.

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LIGHTER VEHICLES.

THOSE IN USE TOO HEAVY AND CUMBERSOME.

Conditions Requiring Weight and Strength Have Passed Away—Center of Gravity Should Be Lowered and Width Reduced.

The report of Hon. Martin Dodge as director of the good roads division of the agriculture department is a valuable document. He lays particular stress on the need of lighter construction of vehicles. Concerning them he says:

When John L. McAdam advanced his theory of road building in England, 1816 to 1818, he called the attention of parliament to the fact that they had heretofore exhausted their efforts mainly in regulating the size of vehicles, the width of tires, the number of horses to be allowed for each vehicle, the amount of toll to be charged and minor details of that kind, but had paid very little attention to the improvement of the roadbed, and, in fact, almost none to its scientific improvement. Today I find nearly all persons interested in the "good roads" problem exhausting their efforts upon the improvement of the roadbed only and seeking to imitate or duplicate the stone roads of the older countries.

I believe myself that we are substantially past the "stone age" in road building, and that it is possible to introduce new means and methods by which we shall gain very greatly in four different ways. First of all, the improvement of the roadbed can be effected without increasing the cost of its construction. In the second place, the weight of the vehicle can be greatly diminished in proportion to the load it carries. The bicycle is a noted example of what has been done in this respect. The chief value of the bicycle resides in the fact that it carries a burden many times its own weight. If it were constructed on the principle of nearly all other vehicles so as to weigh as much as or more than the burden it carries, it would have no practical value and would not be in use.

It is possible, in my opinion, to construct other vehicles so as to attain, to a very great extent, though not to so high a degree, the perfection of the bicycle in that the vehicle shall carry in all

THE COMMON KIND.

cases more than its own weight and in most cases many times its own weight. In the third place, having such vehicles as I have referred to above, it is possible to substitute inanimate power for animal power for all distance upward of five miles, and by such substitution there would be a gain equal to four-fifths of the present cost for animal power. As a fourth element of advantage, and one resulting from the foregoing, there would be an increase in the speed of vehicles, and consequently a proportional saving in time, which is also an economic gain of great consequence.

The roadbed as commonly constructed is of great width and solidity, yet the burdens passing over these roads, as a rule, are only from one to two tons. It is unwise and unnecessary to build roads for the transportation of light burdens capable of sustaining burdens 100 times the ordinary weight. Of course the new roadway should be hard and smooth. This can be effected by substituting steel for stone.

In reference to the vehicles, the fault which expresses itself in excessive weight is the result of a natural evolution based upon conditions heretofore existing, but now rapidly passing away and capable of complete elimination. The wheels were made high in order to overcome the inequalities of the primitive roadway and to enable the vehicle to straddle extraordinary obstructions in the way. This height of wheel necessitated great width of gauge in order to prevent overturning the carriage. Great height and great width called for great strength in the vehicle. A great strength could only be secured by making the vehicle of great weight when constructed of the materials heretofore available and used for such purposes. So we have maintained vehicles whose weight aggregated much more than the burdens they carried, and as a consequence all of the immense sums of money paid for transportation are made up almost as much of the cost of moving the vehicle as of the freight it carries.

In order to remedy this defect the first thing to do is to lower the center of gravity of the vehicle. No real progress was made in the development of the bicycle until the low wheels were put on and the center of gravity lowered to the lowest vehicles. With the lowering of the center of gravity may easily and safely come a diminution in the width of the gauge, and with these two steps taken it is easy to reduce the weight of the vehicle, especially by substituting lighter material now available, so that the vehicle may be yet strong and safely carry ten times its own weight instead of weighing ten times the burden it carries, as is often the case with vehicles in common use. With smooth trackway and a light vehicle placed upon roller bearings it is possible to substitute inanimate power for animal power on all distances of five miles and upward with a very great saving, equal to four-fifths of the present cost for animal power, and as a natural result of this there will come a great increase in the speed of the vehicle.

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Mud Is the Heaviest Load the Nation Has to Bear.

Mud is the greatest enemy this nation has to contend with. The alleged wrongs inflicted upon the Cubans and Filipinos by Spain are as nothing to the want, squalor, ignorance and distress occasioned by mud in this our own fair land, says L. A. W. Bulletin.

Mud impoverishes our farms, destroys business, breeds disease, fosters isolation and ignorance, and thereby increases crime.

Mud costs this country more money every year than it would have required to purchase Cuba peacefully.

The most humane, Christianizing, civilizing "expansion policy" this nation could inaugurate would be one for expanding the good roads from one end of the country to the other.

Mud has imprisoned and enslaved thousands of families in our own proud

MUD FETLOCK DEEP.

domain. "Freedom" to them is but a dream. They are bound and shackled—by mud. They are not permitted to enjoy the privileges of a jail "trusty." They cannot go to the neighbors or the neighbors cannot come to them. The postman cannot convey to them the daily papers and other great voices of the living world. They cannot converse with their fellow men. Their ears and their mouths are bespotted with mud.

Millions for war, but not for peace; external expansion, internal decay; the most up to date warships, the most out of date mud roads; everything for the heathen, most any old thing for the folks at home.

The legislator who votes millions for foreign conflicts and opposes appropriating a few thousands for internal improvement, in the way of bettering the highways, is a man who would rather daub warpaint on his face than receive the grace of God in his heart. As has already been remarked, "We want good roads."

BUILDING STONE ROADS.

Mistakes to Avoid In Constructing Macadam Highways.

To build a macadam road the material should be put down in layers and each layer separately rolled and compacted. To begin with, the subsoil which is to serve as a foundation for the stone must be properly crowned, sloping down from the middle to each side of the road, and then it must be rolled until it is absolutely hard. A soft earth bottom cannot support a stone roadway intended for ordinary heavy travel. Where a road is built upon low ground it should be drained. Water finding its way beneath a macadam road, unless quickly removed by drainage, will soon ruin it. The stone used in each layer should be of uniform size as near as practical. Unless the stone to be used has been properly broken, the road can hardly be a success. No stone larger than 2½ inches should be used. If the bed of stone when compacted is to be more than four inches thick, it should be put down in two layers, the material for the upper layer to be smaller than that used below—say not larger than 1½ inches. Broken stone may readily be assorted by a rotary screen furnished with the stone crusher.

A common mistake is to spread gravel or dirt over a layer of stone before it is rolled in the belief that this will help to compact it. The stone alone should be rolled. Under the pressure of a suitable roller of sufficient weight the angular pieces of stone will readily shift about until they are firmly wedged in place, while the round particles of gravel, or the smaller pieces, loose, soft dirt or sand, when mixed with these angular pieces, will prevent their being thus crowded together and compacted. A layer of very small stone or screening or fine gravel may be used in a separate layer on the surface after the rolling of the layers beneath is entirely completed. This will also fill the few remaining crevices at the top. The surface of the finished road should then again be rolled to make it thoroughly hard and smooth, so that the rain and surface water will readily run off to the sides. Water is the enemy of good roads.

The above explanations are the result of a careful study of the instructions issued by the state highway commissions of Massachusetts, California, New Jersey and Connecticut, and indicate the principles followed in those states in the construction of roads by state aid.

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HOGARTH'S "GIN LANE."

Description of His Painting Delineating Horrors of Drink.

In 1697 was born William Hogarth, the great caricaturist, who created an entirely new species of painting which has become known as the "moral comic." He was born in London, and it was during his boyhood that the art of distilling gin was introduced into England by King William III and his Dutch courtiers. Who more competent than he, therefore, to give us some idea of the devastation which the drinking of spirits entailed?

Gin, cursed fiend, with fury fraught,
Makes human race a prey!
It enters by a deadly draught
And steals our life away.

Virtue and truth, driven to despair,
In rage compels to fly,
But cherishes with hellish care
Theft, murder, perjury.

Damned cup, that on the vitals preys,
That liquid fire contains,
Which madness to the heart conveys
And rolls in through the veins!

Hogarth's picture entitled "Gin Lane" displays human nature in its most degraded and disgusting state. The retailer of gin and ballads who sits upon the steps with a bottle in one hand and a glass in the other is horribly fine, having bartered away his waistcoat, shirt and stockings and drunk until he is in a state of total insensibility. Pale, wan and emaciated, he is a perfect skeleton.

A working carpenter is depositing his coat and saw with a pawnbroker. A tattered female offers her culinary utensils at the same shrine. Among them we discover a teakettle, pawned to procure money for the purchase of gin. An old woman, having drunk until she is unable to walk, is put into a wheelbarrow, and in that situation a lad solaces her with another glass. With the same poisonous and destructive compound a mother in the corner drenches her child. Near her are two charity girls of St. Giles' pledging each other in the same ....roding compound.

The scene is completed by a quarrel between two drunken mendicants, both of whom appear in the character of cripples. This, with a crowd waiting for their drams at a distiller's door, completes the catalogue of the quick. Of the dead there are two, besides an unfortunate child whom a drunken madman has impaled upon a spit. One, a barber who, probably having drunk gin until he has lost his reason, has suspended himself by a rope in his own ruinous garret; the other, a beautiful woman, whom, by the direction of the parish beadle, two men are depositing in a shell. From her wasted and emaciated appearance we may fairly infer she also fell a martyr to this destructive and poisonous fluid. On the side of her coffin is a child lamenting the loss of its parent.

The large pewter measure hung over a cellar, on which is engraved "Gin Royal," was once a common sign. The inscription on the cave of despair, 'Drunk For a Penny—Dead Drunk For Twopence, Clean Straw For Nothing," is worthy observation. It exhibits the state of the metropolis at that period. —Detroit News-Tribune.

DRUNKENNESS IN ENGLAND.

Recorded Cases Only a Small Percentage of the Whole Number.

From a statement compiled from the judicial statistics for 1897 and sent to us by G. A. Smith, assistant secretary of the United Kingdom alliance, it appears that the number of persons proceeded against for drunkenness in England and Wales during the year 1897 was 193,276, compared with 187,258 in 1896; 168,398 persons were convicted, 159,997 being fined and 7,741 sent to prison. No record is kept of the ages of those proceeded against by way of summons, but of the 168,398 persons who were convicted 110,739 were taken in charge.

There was a decrease of seven in the apprehensions of young people under 16, and the total was only 34, but in seven other groups of ages there were increases. Although there was an increase of 6,018 in the number of charges of drunkenness, there were only 1,289 persons proceeded against for permitting drunkenness on licensed premises, of whom 747 were convicted.

Thus, says Mr. Smith, there was only one conviction for permitting drunkenness for 225 convictions for "drunkenness" itself, in connection with which it is important to remember that the number of convictions or even charges is no adequate indication of the actual amount of public drunkenness. Mr. Chamberlain pointed out to the lords committee on intemperance in 1877, when dealing with this question as it affected Birmingham: "If tomorrow it were necessary for any purpose, I could undertake to have the statistics for Birmingham made ten times as bad as they were before. Just one turn of the screw would bring in ten times the number."—London News.

German Drink Statistics.

The Memminger Zeitung, a daily paper at Bavaria, Germany, gives the following statistics about drink: "The German nation drinks annually 670,260,000 liter whisky; 5,546,000,000 liter beer and 332,000 liter wine at an expense of 2½ milliarden marks (about 4 marks equal $1), or $13.50 per head. Drink is responsible for the suicide of 1,600 persons annually; 1,300 die drunk in accidents; 3,000 come through drink into the insane asylums or die of. delirium tremens; 42,000 land in workhouses; 32,000 go through drink to the poorhouses, and 150,000 are taken care of by punishment of the law."

Weight on the Community.

Well to do alcoholics ruin their health and their families. As for the hapless workingmen who give themselves up to drink, their lot is even worse. They become vagabonds, cripples or criminals, thus becoming a weight on the community by filling the prisons and asylums.

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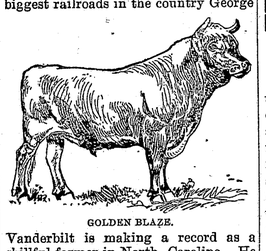
Water from a well or spring is a great deal better than ice water for a cow to drink. The latter chills her through and through. A cow ought to drink heartily at least twice a day, yet with a few swallows of ice water she becomes chilled and does not take half so much of such water as of that of a higher temperature.

Where cows are watered from an outdoor tank, a tank heater will be found a very wise instrument. It will pay for itself many times over before it is worn out. All farm animals prefer water with the chill off, and the milk cow will give a greater quantity of milk if this is provided for her. Bank up the tank around the outside and hinge a cover to one side, raising this only long enough for the animals to drink. The warmer the water up to a certain point the more they will consume. On a cold winter morning water of 80 or 90 degrees will be consumed with avidity, although 60 degrees is probably sufficiently warm.

As to the food, we have found wheat bran indispensable. Not only is it unexcelled as a milk producer, but it keeps a cow's system in good order, being cooling and laxative in its action. To go with this one may use ground corn and oats, half and half, the entire ration being composed of one-half bran, one-fourth cornmeal, one-fourth ground oats. This ration will appeal to the general farmer, but bran fed with gluten meal comprises an equally valuable ration and one not more expensive either. The proportions may be varied from one-fourth to one-third by weight of the gluten.

Farmer Vanderbilt's Bull.

While his brothers Cornelius and William K. are running some of the biggest railroads in the country George



GOLDEN BLAZE.

Vanderbilt is making a record as a skillful farmer in North Carolina. He has just imported a Jersey bull, Golden Blaze, at an expense of $3,000.

What Attracts Boys.

How to keep boys on the farm is as much a question in the south as in the north and west. Speaking of this The Western Agriculturist says: "While scientific agriculture is an inviting field for the farmers' sons, the highest achievement is attained by the breeders of pure bred stock. Note the large number of public sales the past year where $10,000 to $20,000 worth of surplus young stock was sold and the breeding plant retained to keep up the supply of pedigree stock for the regular annual sale. All kinds of pure bred stock are in demand, and nothing will interest the boys like the pedigree stock that sells at good prices. There is a commercial, businesslike fascination about it that will interest the boys and keep them on the farm. Scientific breeding of the improved breeds is a benefit to the community, to the state and to the nation and adds millions of dollars to the wealth of the country and brings prosperity to the farm."

Creamery Buildings and Outfits.

Creamery buildings may be erected in which first class butter may be made for from $500 to $1,000 and equipped with machinery for handling 7,000 to 10,000 pounds of milk per day at a cost of not over $1,500, or an estimated total cost of $2,500 at the outside. In some places $2,000 will establish this plant. Outside of building, the two heaviest items of expense are for separator and engine and boiler. The very best separator may be bought for from $400 to $500, separating from 2,000 to 2,500 pounds of milk per hour. An engine and boiler costing new from $400 to $500 will be necessary. Milk vats holding 600 gallons of milk may be purchased for $50 or less, a cream vat holding 300 gallons for about $35, standard butter worker for $40, churn about $80, with many other items in the way of equipment, mostly in a small way.—Professor C. S. Plumb.

Dairy For Alaska.

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Road Revival In Great Britain.

The Roads Improvement association of Great Britain is being revived after being in a moribund state for several years, and its scope is to be broadened. It will deal with every subject that relates to the improvement of the roads, not only as regards the surface, but also in such matters as the provision of milestones, signboards, seats and shelters. It will distribute pamphlets of instruction to road repairers, as well as gauges to test the size of stones to be placed on the roads.

Britain's Roman Roads.

Up to the year 1824 the modern roads of Great Britain were inferior to those the Romans built prior to the fifth century. The complete system included six main roads from London with their branches and a perfect network of crossroads, measuring, all told, some 6,000 miles, and connecting Edinburgh, Glasgow, Bath, Bristol, Newcastle, Dover and other points still occupied by thriving towns.—San Francisco Chronicle.

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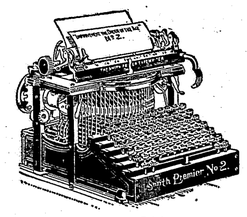

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